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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-B204 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: FCC Form 555 Annual Lifeline Report and Certification WC Docket No. 14-171

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed is the FCC Form 555 Annual Lifeline Report and Certification on behalf of Nex-Tech Wireless, LLC, which was filed with USAC January 18, 2017.

Please contact the undersigned if any questions arise.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd B. Lantor

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Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

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Study Area Code (SAC) (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (Service Provider Identification N (C) must provide a certification form for each SAC through which it pro		
2016 KS	Nex-Tech Wireless. LLC		
Recertification Year State	ETC Name		
n/a	N/A		
DBA, Marketing, or Other Brandin (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not lea	Name Holding Company Name blank) (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not le	Holding Company Name (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not leave blank)	
Does the reporting company have a	iliated ETCs? Yes No O		
determined in accordance with Section 3(2) o	the reporting ETC, using page 4 and additional sheets if necessary. se Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person s under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.	that (directly or indirectly)	
Affiliated ETC's SAC	Affiliated ETC's Name		
- See attached worksheet			
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Section 2: Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty blocks. If an ETC has nothing to report in a block, enter a zero.

A	В	С	D	$\mathbf{E} = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D})$
Number of subscribers claimed on February FCC Form 497 of current Form 555 calendar year (February data month)	Number of lines claimed on February FCC Form 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to wireline resellers	Number of subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form 497 that were initially enrolled in the current Form 555 calendar year (These subscribers did not have Lifeline service prior to January 1 of the current 555 calendar year.)	Number of subscribers de-enrolled <u>prior</u> to recertification attempt by either the ETC, a state administrator, access to an eligibility database, or by USAC	Number of subscribers ETC is responsible for recertifying for current Form 555 calendar year
56	0	4	8	44

Recertification Results:

F	G	H = (F-G)	I	J = (H+I)
Number of subscribers ETC contacted directly to recertify eligibility through attestation	Number of subscribers responding to ETC contact	Number of non- responding subscribers	Number of subscribers responding that they are no longer eligible (This should be a subset of Block G.)	Number of subscribers de- enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of non-response or response of ineligibility from ETC recertification attempt
44	40	4	0	4

K	L
Number of subscribers whose eligibility was reviewed by state administrator, ETC access to eligibility database, or by USAC	Number of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of finding of ineligibility by state administrator, ETC access to eligibility database, or USAC
0	0

Note: If any subscriber was reviewed by an ETC accessing a state database or by a state administrator and subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in Blocks F through J as appropriate and not in Blocks K and L. As a result, all subscribers subject to recertification who were not de-enrolled prior to the recertification attempt must be accounted for in Block F or Block K.

The total of Block F and Block K should equal the number reported in Block E.

Certification:

Based on the data entered above, initial the certification(s) below that apply. Both Certification A and B may apply depending on the recertification procedures in place for the SAC reporting on this form. If Certification C applies, neither Certification A nor B may apply.

A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart above in Blocks F through J. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

Initial	411

AND/OR

B)	I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify consumer eligibility by relying on:
	. (List database or name of administrator here) Results
	are provided in the chart above in Blocks K through L. I am an officer of the company named above. I am
	authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.
	Initial ———

OR

C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

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Section 3: De-enroll Percentage

Using the data entered in Section 2, complete the chart below to find the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC.

$\mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{K})$	N = (J+L)	$O = ((N \div M) * 100)$
Number of subscribers that the ETC attempted to recertify directly or through a state administrator, ETC access to a state database, or by USAC (This should equal the number reported in Block E)	Number of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de- enrolled as a result of non-response or ineligibility	Percentage of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of ineligibility or non-response
44	4	9.1%

Section 4: ETCs Subject to the Non-Usage Requirements

All ETCs must complete the appropriate check-box. ETCs that do not assess and collect a monthly fee from their Lifeline subscribers are subject to the non-usage requirements. ETCs subject to the non-usage requirements must indicate the number of subscribers de-enrolled by month in Section 4. ETCs that only assess a fee but do not collect such fees are subject to the non-usage requirements and must also indicate the number of subscribers de-enrolled by month.

Is the ETC subject to the non-usage requirements?

Yes 🔼

No 👩

If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in Block Q below.

P	Q
Month	Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage
January	0
February	0
March	0
April	0
May	0
June	0
July	0
August	0
September	0
October	0
November	0
December	0
Total Subscribers	0

Signature Block

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area Code (SAC) listed above.

Signed,

Signature of Officer

Wightle@ntwls.com

Email Address of Officer

Cindy King

Person Completing This Certification Form

Jon Lightle, President/CEO

Printed Name and Title of Officer

01/17/2017

Date

785-621-3615

Contact Phone Number

Affiliated ETCs

SAC	Name
411777	The Golden Belt Telephone Association Inc
411826	Rural Telephone Service Co. Inc.